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TO AMEMBASSY BERN IMMEDIATE

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FOR AMBASSADOR AND MORAN

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: THE SECRETARY'S VISIT

REF: BERN 3873 (NODIS)

1. WE APPRECIATE THE DIFFICULTY WHICH AN EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT POSES FOR THE SWISS AUTHORITIES. YOU SHOULD POINT OUT, HOWEVER, THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO MAKE THE EXTENSIVE ARRANGEMENTS REQUIRED FOR A VISIT OF THIS SORT IN AS LITTLE TIME AS REMAINS WITHOUT THE FACT OF THE VISIT BECOMING PUBLIC. IF WE TRIED TO WAIT UNTIL WEDNESDAY THE NEWS OF THE TRIP WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY LEAK AND OUR RETICENCE WOULD BE MISUNDERSTOOD. FOR THIS REASON, WE WILL HAVE TO STICK WITH THE MONDAY ANNOUNCEMENT.

2. A TEXT OF OUR PRESS STATEMENT WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE SWISS EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON AND THE SAME ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE CABLED TO YOU SEPARATELY. IT WILL BE MADE AT THE MONDAY, AUGUST 30, PRESS CONFERENCE AT 12:30 P.M. EDT.

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3. WE ARE PREPARED TO MAKE USE OF THE HELICOPTERS ALONG  
THE LINES SUGGESTED BY AMBASSADOR HEGNER AND ARE SO  
INFORMING THE SOUTH AFRICAN EMBASSY. EAGLEBURGER

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